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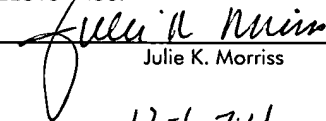
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), enclosed is Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). Applicant respectfully submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (b), within three months of the filing date of the application, within three months of the date of entry of the national stage set forth in § 1.491 or before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. Applicant requests that the references cited in the enclosed form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-captioned application. While no representation is made that any of the references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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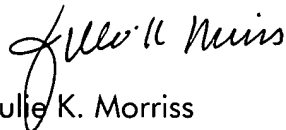
patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the references listed, together with any other references which may have been previously submitted or listed, are the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no reference which is more relevant to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) published in the Official Gazette on August 5, 2003 for U.S. patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed. Applicant has submitted copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2). Any listed reference that is not in the English language is accompanied by a concise explanation in English of its relevance as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i).

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